# **Elementary School Mini-Term 2024**









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3970 Kidron Road • PO Box 9 Kidron, OH 44636 330.857.7311 • www.ccscomets.org Central Christian School is excited to announce the launch of Elementary mini-term sessions beginning January 3-5, 2024. Mini-terms for High School (which began in January 1972) and Middle School (which began in January 1986) are an intentional and purposeful opportunity for students to discover, grow, socialize, and contribute to a unique learning experience outside the traditional classroom. Our elementary teachers are already planning hour-long mini-term experiences for grades Kindergarten to fourth grade, where students will learn more about themselves in a variety of enriching opportunities.

We pray that mini-term, at each level, will continue to have an enduring impact through formational opportunities and create long lasting memories.

If you want to learn more about Central's mini-term, please contact the Main Office at MainOffice@CentralChristianSchool.org or 330-857-7311.

# **Beach Yoga and Sensory Bottles - Lisa Bischoff**

Keep fit and stress free this winter season with Beach Yoga and Sensory Bottles. Students will learn fun yoga poses, stretches, and exercise games that are all connected to the beach while listening to tropical music! Bring a beach towel as your yoga mat and join the fun. Students will also make an ocean sensory bottle to take home for those days when you need calm and peaceful reminders that summer is only a few months away!

# **Gardening - Liz Boyd**

The gardening mini-term will provide students the opportunity to start an herb garden (even in the winter!) We will use our five senses to explore a variety of common herbs. Students will then use these same herbs to make their very own herb compound butter!

## **Hour of Code - Maria Zehr**

Join millions of other students around the world for Hour of Code. It will be an introduction to computer science. We will have a chance to write code to perform different challenges. K/1 will work on the app Scratch Jr and 2-4 will use the Hour of Code website.

# <u>Cardmaking - Sara Hofstetter</u>

We will dive into the delightful world of pop-up card making! This hands-on activity not only sparks imagination but also encourages fine motor skills and artistic expression. By folding, cutting, and decorating, the students are not just crafting cards; they're crafting personalized messages and surprise elements that will surely bring joy to both the creators and the recipients.

## **Nature Detectives: Exploring Owl Pellets and Animal Connections - Christal Woods**

In this fun mini-term, students will get to explore owl pellets and learn about food chains. They will do a hands-on activity where they dissect owl pellets to see how animals are connected in nature. The lesson helps them see that all animals need plants to survive, and some animals eat plants while others eat animals that eat plants. Students will get to make a chart of the bones they find in the owl pellets. The class incorporates the captivating story "White Owl, Barn Owl" by Nicola Davies. It's a mix of science and storytelling to help them understand how nature works!

#### Storytime - Lara Dudack

We will share some of my favorite children's books. I will read the books aloud, or we will watch a video of the story while it's read.

Here is a short list of the books we will be reading: Little Blue and Little Yellow by Leo Lioni Sylvester and the Magic Pebble by William Steig Ira Sleeps Over by Bernard Waber Serendipity by Stephen Cosgrove

What to Bring? Blanket, Pillow and your favorite book from home Where Will We Meet? Prayer Room

# **Chemistry-Art - Kelsey Gallant**

Come learn about chemistry through hands-on projects involving art and design! In this mini-term session, students will have the opportunity to create their own bouncy balls using household items, and then to work together to create a colorful tower of liquids--prepare to be amazed as the liquids do not mix! Along the way, they will be exposed to concepts such as density and chemical reactions.

# I Ate My Science Experiment! - Alexandra Slabaugh

In this mini-term group, we will watch a special chemical reaction that makes.... dessert!? Ice cream in a bag is a fun way to watch how ice, salt, and cream react to each other and it ends in a tasty treat.

## Folk-Dancing - Hannah Steiner

This mini-term will get your blood pumping and your foot tapping with traditional folk dances that we rarely have time for in regular music class. Folk-dancing is a fun way to experience community, cooperation, and good old-fashioned music that is still relevant today. All students will get a turn to be an equal part of the dance; the steps are simple and repetitive enough that all ages can be successful. We will have a rollicking good time learning the social dances that have been used for generations to bring people together!

#### **Glow Gallery - Laci Tieszen**

In this art mini term, students will create art that glows in a "black light gallery." We will explore the effect of fluorescent art materials under black lights. Matthew 5:16 says: In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven. This verse will inspire our making as we make artwork that shines (literally!).